

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**(Case No. 00-368-A)**

In the Application of:

**William B. Busa**

Serial No. **09/768,686**

Filing Date: **January 24, 2001**

For: **Method And System For Automated  
Inference Creation Of Physico-Chemical  
Interaction Knowledge From Databases  
Of Co-occurrence Data**

Examiner: **Zhou, Shubo**

Group Art Unit: **1631**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

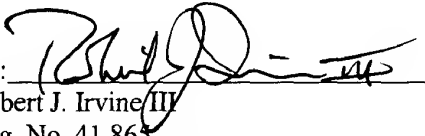
**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the restriction requirement mailed July 16, 2003, applicants respond as follows:

Applicants hereby elect Group IV, claims 21-27, drawn to methods of creating automated biological inferences. Applicants have included a one month extension of time, and a check in the amount of \$55.00, to extend the time for response to September 16, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 16, 2003

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